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In re Patent of:)	Examiner: M. Alexandra Elve
YOSHIFUMI TAKEYAMA ET AL.)	Examiner. W. Alexandra Elve
Appln. No.: 09/840,893	:)	Art Unit: 1725
Filed: April 25, 2001)	
For: NON-CONTACT TREATMENT METHOD	;) ;	
U.S. Patent No.: 6,984,804 B2	;) :	
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SECOND REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION UNDER RULES 322 AND 323

Sir:

Patentees filed a request for a Certificate of Correction under Rules 322 and 323 in the above-captioned patent on May 2, 2006 due to errors which appear in the printed patent as a result of Patent and Trademark Office mistakes, and mistakes of a clerical, typographical, or minor character, which were not the fault of the Patent and Trademark Office. A check for \$100.00 to cover the statutory fee for such Certificate of Correction was also filed.

Patentees have now received a Communication dated May 17, 2006, denying the request to correct errors identified in items [75] and [56]. The Communication alleges that these items were printed in accordance with the record, and therefore, being no fault on the part of the Patent and Trademark Office, it cannot issue a certificate of correction under Rule 322. Patentees respectfully disagree.

With respect to item [75], in the May 2, 2006 paper, Patentees requested that the residence of the seventh inventor as listed on the cover page of the patent be changed from "Yokohama (JP)" to --Yokosuka (JP)--. The Patent and Trademark Office records for the present case contain clear support for this correction and clearly indicate that the error on the cover page of the patent was a result of Patent and Trademark Office mistakes.

Specifically, on August 6, 2001, Patentees filed a Request for Corrected Filing Receipt, requesting that the residence of the seventh inventor on the filing receipt be changed to --Yokosuka-shi (JP)--. A copy of that Request, as printed out from the IFW of the present case, is enclosed. Consequently, the Patent and Trademark Office issued a new Bibliographic Data Sheet, making the requested change in the residence of the seventh inventor. A copy of this new Bibliographic Data Sheet, which was also printed out from the IFW of the present case, is enclosed.

Therefore, it is clear that the correction requested by Patentees has clear support on the record and that the patent was not printed in accordance with that record. In that connection, Patentees note that the suffix "-shi" mentioned in the Request for Corrected Filing Receipt is merely a formal geographical designation of "city" in Japan, which may be omitted from the listing. This is clearly evidenced by the fact that suffixes have not been printed on the patent in the residences of all other inventors (cf.

Bibliographic Data Sheet). Accordingly, issuance of a Certificate of Correction making the requested change in item [75] is requested. If deemed necessary, the correction may be made to change "Yokohama (JP)" to --Yokosuka-shi (JP)--.

With respect to item [56], in the May 2, 2006 paper, Patentees note that the error in this item resulted from a mistake of a clerical, typographical, or minor character, which was not the fault of the Patent and Trademark Office. Since Patentees, as mentioned above, requested a certificate of correction under Rule 323, as well as under 322, and submitted a check for \$100, the correction of this error was proper and should have been included in the Certificate of Correction.

In particular, the error in item [56] was a clear typographical error in the number of a Japanese patent publication. In particular, JP 3-005639 was listed as JP 30-5639 on a PTO-1449 form filed with the application on April 25, 2001. Since the publication date is 1/1991, the error is clear as "3" before the dash ("-") indicates the year of publication, and year 1991 is year "3" according to the Japanese calendar. Furthermore, this publication was originally of record in Application No. 09/219,597, from which the present case claims priority under 35 U.S.C. 120. Thus, clear proof of the correct publication number may be found by examining the record in that case.

In conclusion, for the reasons presented above, issuance of a Certificate of Correction making changes in items [75] and [56] is respectfully requested. A new Certificate of Correction form listing these two changes is attached for convenience.

Patentees' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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INVENTOR(S) :

YOSHIFUMI TAKEYAMA ET AL.

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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

COVER [75] INVENTORS

"Yoshimitsu Hayashi, Yokohama (JP);" should read --Yoshimitsu Hayashi, Yokosuka (JP);--.

COVER [56] FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

"JP 30-5639 1/1991" should read --JP 3-005639 1/1991--.

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: NON-CONTACT TREATMENT METHOD

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Request for Certificates of Correction

Consideration has been given to your request for the issuance of a Certificate of Correction, for the above – identified patent under the provisions of CFR 1.322.

Inspection of the application for the patent reveals that item [75] [56], is printed in accordance with the record. Therefore being no fault on the Patent and Trademark Office, It has no authority to issue a certificate of correction under the provision of 1.322.

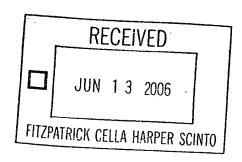
In view of the forgoing, your request in this matter, is hereby denied. However, a certificate of correction will be issued to correct the remaining error(s) noted in your request.

Future written correspondence concerning this matter should be filed and directed to Decisions & Certificates of Correction Branch.

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REQUEST FOR CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT

Sir:

Applicants' attorneys have received an official Filing Receipt in the aboveidentified application wherein an error has been noted. The residence of the seventh inventor is incorrect and should read as follows:

-- Yokosuka-shi, JAPAN --.

A copy of the Filing Receipt is attached with the proposed changes marked in red. Issuance of a Corrected Filing Receipt with the correct data is accordingly respectfully requested.

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